

**University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
College of Nursing**

Black and Gold Committee Meeting Minutes- December 11, 2006

Present: Emily Allred, Lisa Mihlbauer, Kue Yang, Melody Escoto, Amanda Faile, Audrey Hale, Deatra Holloway, Chris Rappel, Susan Dean-Baar, Tomisha Byard, Brandon Decker, Julia Snethen, Ryan Smith

Excused: Catherine Lageson, Jennifer Daood, Melanie Bloedorn, Laura Schumacher, Tiffany Voss, Bob Blome.

Call to Order

- Meeting was called to order at 12:00pm

Review and approval of minutes of 11/13-2006

- The minutes of the last meeting were approved without discussion. We still need minute takers for the spring meetings.

Social Activities

- There were no social activities this semester. Many members were at the poster presentations today so couldn't make it to the meeting for an update. Social activities fell through this semester- not enough time. Social activities will hold off until next semester and B&G will discuss this at the February meeting. Student organizations will not do hall decoration for Christmas due to lack of time available to students as classes are wrapping up and they are preparing for finals.

Transportation and Bus Shelters

- Deferred until February meeting

B&G Flyer Update

- Karen Dredge created a draft flyer for the B&G committee. It was suggested to add meeting dates and times and verbalize the meetings are open to all students. Kue said this was a great idea since he has been getting a lot of questions about B&G since he announced that he is on the committee. Sue Dean-Baar suggested spell checking and taking out "Improve the chain of" and just leave it at communication.

Newsletter Contribution

- Audrey Hale submitted to the newsletter but no newsletter has been sent so far. Deatra will check with Robin Jens to see when the newsletter will be out. If it hasn't been submitted, Lisa Mihlbauer suggested adding B&G February meeting dates to the newsletter. Kue and Dr. Snethen will work together on the contribution for the February newsletter.

Class Distribution

- Bob Blome was at the poster session so no update. Deferred until the February meeting.

Bulletin Board

- Appears overloaded with stuff. It was suggested to put B&G flyer in the bulletin board and to think of items to post next semester.

Parkside Update

- Ryan Smith from UW-Parkside discussed how nursing students would like study rooms in Tallent Hall specifically for nursing students with expanded hours.
- Ryan asked if tuition differential could help with this. Dr. Snethen stated that tuition differential from this year has already been budgeted but the location at Parkside sounds good.
- Ryan is still looking at different locations at Parkside.
- Furniture may be available at Parkside. Funding may be needed for computers. It was suggested that Rochelle Nelson is checking on what computers might be available at Parkside.
- Ryan asked about the student lounge in Cunningham Hall. It was stated that the lounge in Cunningham is comparable to the lounge in Tallent Hall. There are computers in the Cunningham lounge, but they are used for checking email only and students have to stand to use them.
- Sue Dean-Baar stated that space is limited at campuses within the UW system so it is important for Ryan to do a needs assessment to make sure space, if given, will be used or it can be immediately taken away. Sue Dean-Baar gave an example of how space wasn't utilized in NLRC. She suggested talking with students to survey use of possible study area to strengthen request for this.

Senate

- Brandon Decker said meetings focused mainly on internal issues. Next meeting is in January.
- Senate fought parking issue at City Hall. Big day is December 12, 2006 to further this issue and Brandon says it is looking pretty good that spaces will remain open to the public.

Seniors Acknowledged:

The seniors that will be leaving at the end of the semester were recognized and thanked for their valuable contributions to the black & gold committee. They are:

- Emily Allred
- Rachel Kannass

Next Meeting Date

- The consensus of the committee was that they would not be able to come in to the CON in January for a Black & Gold Committee meeting. Therefore, it was decided that the January meeting will be cancelled. *Next meeting will be February 12, 2007, 12:00pm – 1:00pm in CUN 795.*

Happy Holidays!

Submitted by Deatra Holloway
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